glass is set such that the temperature difference in the widthwise direction of the sheet glass may be reduced.

8. (Amended) The glass plate manufacturing method according to claim 1, wherein the strain reduction process reduces strain occurring from the surface area to the edge areas by increasing the amount of extension of the surface area in accordance with the heat contraction difference occurring between the edge areas and the surface area in the widthwise direction of the sheet glass.

10. (Amended) The glass plate manufacturing method according to claim 1, wherein the glass plate is a glass substrate used in a display apparatus.

14. (Amended) A liquid crystal device comprising liquid crystal held between a pair of glass plated formed using the glass plate manufacturing method according to claim 1.

## **REMARKS**

Claims 1- 14 are pending. Claims 3-5, 7-8, 10 and 14 are amended to eliminate multiple dependencies. Prompt and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

The attached Appendix includes marked-up copies of each rewritten claim (37 C.F.R. 1.121(c)(ii)).

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